

On Tuesday, May 11, 2010, at the Stockton City Hall, Mayor Chris Parker called to order the Stockton City Council meeting at 7:00 P.M. Council members in attendance were Lisa Gibbs, Dave Johannes and Chad Wangen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Clerk Winchester added under new business John Decker to slope the retaining wall at Stockton Pumphouse. Jack Roberts added under new business the power outage. Mark Potter requested to add under the water project the gate below the reservoir. Chad Wangen made a motion to accept the agenda with additions, seconded by Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed.

Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the April 2010 minutes with a second by Chad Wangen. Motion passed.

On the financial report, under the water bills to pay it should be Hawkins not Harmida Inc. to pay. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the financial report with correction, seconded by Chad Wangen. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Water project: Bill Trygstad now has the list of problem areas from Clerk Winchester with a number of them to be handled when Heselton will fill with black dirt and sod the areas. These problem areas will be checked during the walkthrough for the punch list. Heselton has all the service lines in, and the sod company is in town, though there are areas that need to be graded. Heselton will be in next week to do more work before sodding. The bacteria test failed, and they were flushing lines today on the north end of town. Time set for the punch list walk through will be Tuesday, May 18th at 7:00 A.M., with Bill Trygstad to contact Heselton for availability. Jack Roberts and Wm Wehlage would like to go as well from the Sewer & Water Committee. Mayor Parker asked about the culvert on C Street north of Highway 14, Mr. Trygstad stated this was supposed to be taken out but Heselton didn't open trench so the water project didn't do it. Those culverts along the north side of Highway 14 has been cut out for better flow, and they will be graded better with some shaping for easier mowing. If any problem area has to do with the water project, Heselton will need to repair or replace what is wrong.

Reservoir: Wapasha Company had the tank filled once and it did pass the leakage test, but the chlorine test failed so the tank had to be drained and filled again. There is a problem with the wells chlorinator and Chad Larson does have Hawkins coming out to check out the pump. Once filled the tank will be tested again for bacteria and chlorine, if it passes the system should be ready to go. Bill Trygstad is still waiting on Wapasha to give him an estimate for the City gate; since the City is putting one up Mark Potter won't be installing his own. Discussion was held on the storm sewer drains, with the storm water going down the street and not into the gutters. Mr. Trygstad will look into this problem during the punch list walkthrough. The paving is done and the silt fencing should be up until the turf is established, but Wapasha would like to meet with Mr. Trygstad to discuss a different landscaping plan. The fencing still needs to go up and the guard rail around the parking area needs to be done yet. Their storage area will need to be cleaned and have turf established before the project is finished.

Neither company has a pay estimate ready for this month. Heselton wants to finish the project but the current rains are creating a problem. Wapasha's deadline has been extended to June 1st.

Flood bonding projects: The money must be spent this year for these projects. Bill Trygstad will have the finalized plans for the June council meeting for the City to look over. Additions to the culverts

will be Janice Brown on East Ninth Street and Hjemeland on East Ninth Street, and also the culvert on East Ninth by A Street.

Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the snow plow policy, with a second by Lisa Gibbs. Motion passed.

New council member: Jodi Volkman stated her husband, Ron, would be interested in the position. Mr. Volkman does work Tuesday nights and requested the Council meetings be moved to Wednesday or Thursday evenings instead. Dave Johannes received an email from Doug Seberg who was also interested in the position; Mr. Seberg couldn't attend the meeting tonight. Dave Johannes would like to nominate Doug Seberg for the Council member seat for the remainder of this year. A vote was taken to appoint Doug Seberg for council member for the remaining term, all voted aye.

Acting Mayor will need to be appointed since Rick Przytarski resigned. Chad Wangen made a motion to appoint Dave Johannes acting mayor with a second by Lisa Gibbs. Dave Johannes abstained from the vote.

New Business:

North Broadway Bridge has been approved for funding for this year. The contract is with Erickson Engineering to do the work on the bridge with the sewer extension and the temporary road. The new bridge will be 96 feet long with three culverts of 30-feet, 36-feet and 30-feet. There has been soil testing done already, with the report in the file. There is only one copy of the bridge specs with is in the Clerk's office if anyone wants to take a look at. Clerk Winchester will call Erickson Engineering to discuss what the next step is and to get a current estimate of the approaches.

Stockton Pumphouse would like to slope the dirt from the old retaining wall onto the old Hinton property. John Decker stated it will be sloped about 8-10 feet out and will be seeded. There is no reason to grade by the building since there isn't a problem there. Council agrees for Mr. Decker to do the work.

Dave Johannes made a motion to not waive the right for monetary limits on the municipal tort liability insurance. Motion seconded by Chad Wangen, motion passed unanimously.

Jack & Joanie's Café has 3.2 on sale, Stockton Pumphouse has 3.2 Off Sale and Stockton Saloon has on-sale, off-sale and Sunday sale for liquor Licensing. Dave Johannes made a motion to accept the liquor licensing for these locations, with a second from Chad Wangen. Motion passed.

Council wages: Mayor Parker put together a list of towns in Minnesota for a comparable council wage. In order to raise the Council wages, the question must be put on the election ballot. Currently Mayor gets \$35 per meeting and Council gets \$25 per meeting, with both receiving a \$50 per Diem per meeting. Mayor Parker proposed setting the Mayor wage at \$85 per month with \$100 per council meeting and special meeting, with transportation expenses and \$25 per diem for meetings outside City limits, but no pay for sub-committees or other duties within city limits. Council would receive \$50 per month +\$75 per council meeting for specials and transportation and \$25 per diem outside of city limits for those meetings, and also no pay for sub-committees or other duties within city limits. Dave Johannes believes the wages should be the same for mayor and council member. Chad Wangen made a motion to place the proposed wages on the next election ballot, with a second from Lisa Gibbs. Dave Johannes abstained from the vote. 2 aye votes with one abstain, motion passed.

Sub-committee chairs: Discussion was held on these committees and their appointed chairs. June Council meeting will have a complete listing of committees and organizations with chairs and presidents.

Council agenda: Discussion was held on moving the committee meetings to shorten the period of disconnect and necessary approvals by the council, and having a deadline for the agenda to be the Wednesday before the council meeting to allow time for preparation. Dave Johannes stated the two week gap is helpful for the person requesting help at the committee meeting to bring items to the Clerk before the council meeting. Council agreed to the deadline being the Wednesday before the council meeting for the agenda items, and for the council packets to go out the Thursday before the council meeting.

There was a 10-hour power outage on Friday, May 7th. Jack Roberts requested the city to get a full report of what happened from Alliant Energy. Council requested the Clerk to have a representative at the next council meeting. Adam Johnson requested an action plan for the next time the power goes out, because if it was snowing and below zero residents wouldn't have heat.

Complaints/Concerns: Clerk received a complaint on Jeff Morey's unlicensed tabs on truck that is sitting on his property; letter will be sent citing the Nuisance Ordinance. Letter to be sent to Dave Fraunkraun about his lawn and a letter for Doug Ferguson blowing grass onto the City Street.

Action item: Sewer & Water Committee requested Chad have tags for the generator operation, and well house instructions, and to have them written out in an operations manual

Building Permits:

Charlie Schell would like to request a public hearing to rezone his mother's property to R-2. Dave Johannes made a motion to hold a public hearing for June 8th at 6:45 P.M., with a second from Chad Wangen. Motion passed.

Chad's business:

Chad:

- Still needs the video tapes for sewer televising from Bill Trygstad. Heselton does have the videos; however they televised over and above what was needed. If the televised areas are what the City was looking at having done, it would be better to pay Heselton than have Municipal Pipe come in to do it.

- Wapasha will need to put in a new pressure switch on the pump at the well house. It could be possible to get Norm's Electric to do the job since they wired the well house originally. Mr. Trygstad will call Norm's.

- All hydrants in the Wadewitz addition have a safety recall. They used the wrong grease on the rods, so it will need to be replaced at their cost. American Flow Control will have someone come out and replace the rods.

- Would like to get a new phone with a camera option. Chad is to shop around Sprint to see what phone he would like.

- Would like the council to think about selling or trading in the bobcat. He would rather use the tractor than the bobcat since he's not using it as much as he thought he would. Would like to upgrade one piece of equipment per year, Mayor Parker requested Chad to put the large pieces of equipment on a rotation list and to bring to the next meeting.

- Dave Johannes asked where he's at with the well generator. There was a cap put on the expense, Clerk Winchester will get the council minutes with the cost cap.

Committees:

- Enlarge the text size of the committee reports.
- Lisa Gibbs would like to note that the green space native grasses will take at least five years for it to look good. Chad does have those areas mowed where he doesn't want native grasses on those properties.
- Clerk Winchester requested a chain across the North retention ponds, since there are more ATV's running across the City property.

Lisa Gibbs made a motion to close the Stockton City Council meeting with a second from Dave Johannes. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 9:24 P.M.

No closed employee meeting, it will be tabled until Mayor Parker can gather the information.